

**RESOLUTION NO. 07-2024**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE DURATION OF THE STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY IN SEMINOLE DECLARED BY THE MAYOR DUE TO TROPICAL DEPRESSION FOUR/TROPICAL STORM DEBBY/HURRICANE DEBBY AND ITS POTENTIAL THREAT OF HARM TO THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERMINATION DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, as of August 3, 2024, Tropical Depression Four/Tropical Storm Debby/Hurricane Debby posed a serious threat to the residents and property of Seminole; and

**WHEREAS**, Tropical Depression Four/Tropical Storm Debby/Hurricane Debby had the potential to cause extensive damage to public utilities, public buildings, public communication systems, public streets and roads, public drainage systems, commercial and residential buildings and areas; and

**WHEREAS**, it was therefore necessary for the City of Seminole to take proactive measures to ensure the safety of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 1, 2024, the Governor of the State of Florida promulgated Executive Order 24-156 declaring a State of Emergency as a result of Tropical Depression Four/Tropical Storm Debby/Hurricane Debby; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, provides authority for a political sub-division such as the City of Seminole to declare a State of Emergency allowing the City to waive the procedures and formalities other wise required of political subdivisions by law pertaining to:

1. Performance of public work and taking whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community.
2. Entering into contracts;
3. Incurring obligations;
4. Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
5. Utilization of volunteer workers;
6. Rental of equipment;
7. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation of supplies, materials, and facilities;
8. Appropriation and expenditures of public funds.

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Seminole issued a Proclamation of Emergency on August 3, 2024, providing for declaration of a state of emergency within the City of Seminole; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Seminole approved the Mayor's Proclamation of Emergency at its regular meeting on August 13, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, as of August 5, 2024, the conditions causing the State of Local Emergency to be declared regarding Tropical Depression Four/Tropical Storm Debby/Hurricane Debby are no longer present; and

**WHEREAS**, the City experienced severe weather conditions and the City's emergency response teams and various departments have been able to manage the situation utilizing some of the extraordinary powers authorized by the Proclamation of Emergency pursuant to state law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, FLORIDA, DULY ASSEMBLED THAT:**

**Section 1.** Each of the above recitals are incorporated herein as the findings of the City Council.


**Section 2.** State of Local Emergency presented by Tropical Depression Four/Tropical Storm Debby/Hurricane Debby existed effective the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2024, for all territory within the legal boundaries of the City of Seminole, Florida.

**Section 3.** The City Council hereby ratifies the Mayor's proclamation of emergency and the waiver of any procedures and formalities as provided in Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, including any measures taken by the City Manager to respond to the emergency.

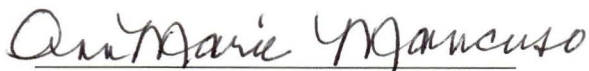
**Section 4.** The State of Local Emergency presented by Tropical Depression Four/Tropical Storm Debby/Hurricane Debby is hereby terminated effective 8:00 p.m. on August 13, 2024.

**Section 5.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, FLORIDA, THIS 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF August, 2024.**

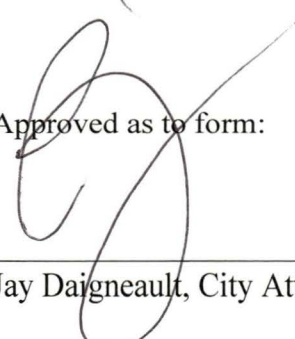
  
Leslie Waters, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC  
City Clerk



Approved as to form:

  
Jay Daigneault, City Attorney